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Personalities :

Philip Agee, call your office:

G. Gordon Liddy, who served almost five years in prison for his role in the Watergate scandal, says in the October Playboy that if he were in American intelligence today, he would recommend the assassination of former CIA agent Philip Agee.

"Were I given the task," Liddy says,
"I would undertake it" and feel no
more qualms than he would about
"swatting a fly." But, he adds, "Let me
stress that his killing would not be retributive but preventive, to forestall
further disclosures..."

Agee incurred Liddy's wrath for his identification of U.S. agents working abroad.

Leslie Berger

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